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**From:** Way, Steven  
**Sent:** Wed 8/13/2014 3:05:09 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Red and Bonitaan and Gold King support - Silverton 9/3 - 30 +

Okay - that was primarily for your site recon opportunity. As for that week (8/25) or the following, I need the person who will assisting w the water treatment to pilot test the flocculent options and become familiar w the site. (Jen was there in 2013 but not sure she is available). ER will be setting up the piping/filter bag system that week and next.

I believe the TDD indicates set up the week of 9/3, which is a must to make sure everyone has what they need for the entry work 9/8 week.

They have the floc and NaOH soln.

Also, Gold King set up will happen those weeks also.

Please advise me who will be available.

Thank you,  
Steve

PS. I am onsite in MT this week. Limited/no cell cvrg.

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**From:** Sandusky, Eric <Eric.Sandusky@WestonSolutions.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 13, 2014 8:21:28 AM  
**To:** Way, Steven  
**Subject:** RE: Mine Rescue Standby support - Silverton 9/3 - 30

Hey Steve,

I have Russ working on the route maps, and I will put this info into the HASP today. As far as the 25<sup>th</sup> goes, I am not available until the 8<sup>th</sup> of September. I was under the impression that the 8<sup>th</sup> was when you would need me for the packer test. I can try to get someone out there for you on the 25<sup>th</sup>, but I need to know what you are wanting to do so I can send someone who is capable of the work required.

Let me know what you think. I will be in the office all day.

Eric Sandusky

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**From:** Way, Steven [mailto:way.steven@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 12, 2014 9:11 AM  
**To:** Sandusky, Eric  
**Subject:** Fw: Mine Rescue Standby support - Silverton 9/3 - 30

Please include this information in the attachment to the HASP.

Also, if possible plan to go to the site the wk of Aug 25' let's talk.

Steve

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**From:** Jess Fulbright <[sanjuanminerescue.jwf@gmail.com](mailto:sanjuanminerescue.jwf@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 12, 2014 7:58:01 AM  
**To:** Way, Steven  
**Cc:** Sandusky, Eric; Sorrenson - DNR, Allen  
**Subject:** Re: Mine Rescue Standby support - Silverton 9/3 - 30

Steve,

I just finished an update to our posting paperwork that I will submit on Friday. I have attached those documents to this

e-mail, all mines we cover will receive this update for posting at their mines (MSHA also receives a copy). These documents

are updated every six months or when there is a change as in this case; we unfortunately lost a member. It is the same

simple system; you call down the Emergency Notification List (ENL) until one of us relieves

you of that responsibility, usually the  
first person you call.

We will review the information that you have provided this Friday at our regularly  
scheduled training session. I would

like, with your permission, to plan a site visit to gain familiarity with the roads and terrain. This  
would be a simple one or two

man affair, please advise of your thoughts on a site visit.

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On Mon, Aug 11, 2014 at 4:54 PM, Way, Steven <[way.steven@epa.gov](mailto:way.steven@epa.gov)> wrote:

Jess,

There are two projects that will be underway in September near Silverton:

1. Red and Bonita Mine: underground work on September 8 through 11. This involves a minor amount of drilling with a jack-leg drill at approximately 275 ft inby. Additionally, a small amount of water will be introduced under pressure into the shallow drill holes for a period of several hours to evaluate the fracture permeability. No tunneling, mucking, ground support work is planned.

2. Gold King Mine 7-level adit: This work is expected to begin in early September also with the excavation of the collapse adit and reconstructing the portal. By mid to late September it is assumed that the adit will be opened and underground work will begin. A more specific time line will be provided as the schedule is confirmed. The coordinates of the Gold King Mine are below, and we will provide you a route map to each mine:

37 53 40.50	107 38 18.09	11386 ft	7-Level mine adit upstream of the confluence with the
N	W	elevation	North Fork of Cement Creek.

Please let me know what additional information is needed. Also, we will revise our contact information for the SJ Mine Rescue team with your numbers below. Are there other names and contact information that we should include?

Thank you,

Steve

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**From:** Jess Fulbright [mailto:[sanjuanminerescue.jwf@gmail.com](mailto:sanjuanminerescue.jwf@gmail.com)]

**Sent:** Thursday, August 07, 2014 5:59 PM

**To:** Way, Steven

**Subject:** Re: Mine Rescue Standby support - Silverton 9/3 - 30

Steve,

Look forward to hearing from you, I reviewed the Red and Bonita entry plans I have on file and will do at least a preliminary briefing with the teams. San Juan Mine Rescue and GCC Energy teams have strengthened our cross training efforts since our combined response to the Revenue Mine last winter. Our responses are now fully coordinated and our notification process has been streamlined, we can put four teams on-site in very short order.

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On Wed, Aug 6, 2014 at 6:51 PM, Way, Steven <[way.steven@epa.gov](mailto:way.steven@epa.gov)> wrote:

Jess - great to hear from you and thank you for the quick reply. I will provide the details but it's basically the same area with a new mine added.

In addition to the Red and Bonita mine, we will work at the Gold King Mine - 7 level.

Thanks and I'll look forward to talking later.

Steve

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**From:** Jess Fulbright <[sanjuanminerescue.jwf@gmail.com](mailto:sanjuanminerescue.jwf@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 6, 2014 6:18:28 PM  
**To:** Way, Steven  
**Subject:** Re: Mine Rescue Standby support - Silverton 9/3 - 30

Steve,

Good to hear from you again, still here and kicking, new contact information is listed in my closing. The home phone usually works the best if you need to call and of course you can e-mail me the pertinent information. I will alert the team members as soon as I know your dates; if it is the same project again I should still have most of the info we need for a response on file.

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On Wed, Aug 6, 2014 at 1:36 PM, Way, Steven <[way.steven@epa.gov](mailto:way.steven@epa.gov)> wrote:

Hello,

I am attempting to make contact with someone regarding a need for a stand-by status mine rescue team for work near Silverton, CO. The contact information that I have for Jess Fulbright is not current, and Jess is who I coordinated with last year for the same support.

Please let me know if this is support that the San Juan Mine Rescue group can assist with providing.

Thank you,

Steve

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